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Islands, Castles & Portable Operations.
Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year).
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03/08/2006: Peter 9A/HA9MDP and Tamas 9A/HG9MET will operate August 3-13th from Pasman Island (EU-170, ACIA IC-348, CIA-34, IOCA CI-085, MIA MC-291) then Ugljan island (EU-170, ACIA IC-339, CIA-53, IOCA CI-134, MIA MC-441) and some others depending on the weather and other local things. They will be active on 80-2 metres and also take part in the Alps Adriatic VHF contest as 9A/HG9VHF from JN73QW. Equipment will be a FT-897, FT-736, multiband dipole for 80-40m, Gp for 20-10m, 6 el Yagi for 6m, and 14 el DJ9BV and 9 el. F9FT yagies for 2m. QSL via home calls via HA QSL bureau ok. [Tnx HA0HW]

03/08/2006: Kan, JJ2RCJ, will operate as FG/JJ2RCJ from Guadeloupe Island (NA-102, DIFO FG-001, WLOTA LH-0644, Grid Loc. FK96) August 3-7th. He will focus on RTTY, CW and 30/40m. QSL direct to AB2RF (GS only, no IRC please). Further information can be found at www.qsl.net/ab2rf/FG&V4-01htm.html [Tnx NG3K]

03/08/2006: Wave Master Team's member Giovanni, IK1WEG will operate on the HF bands as IF9/IK1WEG/p from Isola Favignana (EU-054, IIA TP-011, MIA MI-025, WLOTA LH-1545), August 3-19th. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425 DX News]

03/08/2006: Look for Gerry, IZ1DSH, to be QRV August 3-15th as TK/IZ1DSH from Porto Vecchio, South Corsica (EU-014, IIA TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA LH-1390). Activity will be on 40 and 20 metre SSB. QSL via home call through the ARI bureau. [Tnx NG3K]

03/08/2006: Operators Albert/ON6DU, Michel/ON6QO and Frederic/ON7WZ will be QRV as TM9ES from Adriers (region of Poitiers, department 86) from August 3-11th. Look for activity on 80-10 metre CW and SSB, plus 6 metres and VHF. QSL via F5KFL (QRZ.com). [Tnx UBA HF News]

03/08/2006: Frank, K3TRM, will be returning to Bermuda (NA-005, WLOTA LH-0201) from August 3-8th operating as VP9/K3TRM from VP9GE's Tarrafal Apartments, located in Hamilton Parish. Activity will be on 160-6 metres, including the WARC bands using SSB, RTTY, and CW. QSL via his home call, direct or by the bureau. Additional information is available at www.k3trm.com/. [Tnx NG3K]

05/08/2006: Scott, AC3A reports that he will be operating on 40-6 metres as 9G5SE from Accra, Ghana, August 5-12th. QSL via home call. [Tnx 425 DX News]

05/08/2006: Vange, BD7KLO, will be QRV as BD7KLO/5 from Dongtou Island (AS-141) August 5-9th. Activity will be on 10-40 metre SSB or RTTY. QSL via BD7KLO, direct only. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

05/08/2006: Reinhard/DL6DQW and Ken/G3OCA will operate on 10-80 metres (plus 6 metres, depending on propagation) SSB and CW as C94KF from Inhacamba Island in the Mozambique-Zambezia District (AF-103/pr), the last unactivated IOTA group in Mozambique, August 5-14th. Propagation forecast have been prepared and particular attention will be paid to East and West coast USA.

QSL via G3OCA, direct or bureau (Russian Federation stations may QSL via UA4SKW). There might be a one day operation from AF-098 using the call C93RF (QSL via DL6DQW). [Tnx 425 DX News]

05/08/2006: Francois/F5JNE and Gerard/F6ICG will be active May 5th as F5JNE/p from the Castle of Villiers (DFCF 58-078), in the city of Menestreau (CP 58410), Canton [County] of Donzy (DDCF 58-09). The activation will start around 0600 UTC on 80 metres, then QSY to 40 metres, CW and SSB. QSL via F5JNE, bureau preferred, SWL cards are welcome. [Tnx F5NQL]

05/08/2006: Freddy, F8CKS/p, will be QRV August 5th to activate the Small Mill (DMF 24-029) and the New Mill (DMF 24-028), canton [county] of Belv?s (DDCF 24-02), commune of Sainte Foy de Belv?s. Activity will be on 80, 40 and 20 metre SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F8CKS]

05/08/2006: Ric, G3CWI/p, will activate the following summits for the SOTA (Summits On The Air Award) on August 5th: Swyre Head (SOTA G/SC-012, 208m, 1 point, WW Loc. IO80WO) at 1100 UTC and Nine Barrow Down (SOTA G/SC-013, 199m, 1 point, WW Loc. IO90AP), South Central region, at 1300 UTC. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

05/08/2006: Serge/UA0SC, Yuri/RA0SCA, Valery/RN0SA, Nick/RA0SQ will be active August 5-6th as homecall/p from Russian district IR-42 (Ust'udinsky), Irkutskaya oblast (IR). QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

05/08/2006: Look for Allen, K8HGY/p, to be QRV August 5th from Babbs Island (USI WV-new), West Virginia. Activity will start around 1600 UTC on the ususual IOTA frequencies. QSL via home call direct, bureau or e-QSL. [Tnx USI]

05/08/2006: The Old Barney Amateur Radio Club (N2OB) will be operating from the Barnegat Lighthouse (nicknamed "Old Barney") in Barnegat Light, New Jersey, on Saturday, August 5th (rain date is Sunday August 6th). This counts for ARLHS lighthouse USA-039, Long Beach Island (NJ) NA-111, USi NJ-001S, Ocean county (NJ). Operation will be primarily on 20 and 40 metre SSB from about 1300-2200z. A nice full color photo QSL of the lighthouse is available. QSL via N2OB. [Tnx OPDX]

05/08/2006: Michael, DL3FCG, will operate as OZ/DL3FCG from Bolilmark, Romo Island (EU-125, NS-001 for the Danish Islands Award) August 5-19th. Look for activity on all bands, CW and SSB. QSL via home call, direct, through the bureau, or LoTW. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

05/08/2006: Geza, HA4XG, reports that he will go to Thasos Island (EU-174, MIA MG-124) with Gabi/HA1YA, August 05-19th. Activity on HF, 50 MHz and 144 MHz. On 144 MHz WSJT MS with IC-746 + GSZ35B + 10 el DK7ZB yagi. On 50 MHz JT6M, CW, SSB with IC-706 + 3 el yagi. Callsigns will be: SV8/HA4XG, J48XG and SV8/HA1YA, J48YA. (On 50 MHz only SV8/homecalls). QSL via home calls. [Tnx F5NQL]

05/08/2006: Jeff/VA3QSL and his son Andrew/VA3CQK plan to be QRV August 5th during the National Lighthouse/Lightship QSO Party from Gibraltar Point lighthouse (ARLHS CAN-199) located on Toronto Island (ON-006 for the Canadian Islands Award). They will use the call sign VA3QSL/p, or perhaps VA3CQK/p. Jeff hopes to be set up by 1500 UTC and will operate until his battery gives out, hopefully at least 4 hours. Activity will be on 3950-3990, 7250-7290, 14250-14290 kHz. If the weather is raining, they will be operating from last years location, activating the Queens Wharf Range Light-Historic (ARLHS CAN 542), same times and frequencies. This is not an

island location however. QSL via home call, direct or by the VE3 bureau. [Tnx VA3QSL]

05/08/2006: Don/N1DT and Whitey/K1VV plan to activate Boston lighthouse (ARLHS USA-073, WW Loc. FN42NH) and The Graves lighthouse (ARLHS USA-341, WW Loc. FN42NI), Massachusetts, under the call W1AA for the National Lighthouse Weekend 2006 on August 5, 2006 from 7:00 AM EST (1100 UTC) until about 5:00 PM EST (2100 UTC). Whitey, K1VV, notes that he and Don, N1DT, will begin operations on 75 meters, above 3980 kHz. "Check 3996." On 40 phone, look for W1AA between the nets, most likely below 7270, down to 7225. Whitey says they'll also use 20 phone later in the morning above 14310, or 17 meters above 18150. "We will return to 40 phone about 1530 to 1600 UTC, about noon local time." Morse code operation will be conducted roughly on the half hour, on 7035, 10116, 14035 and 18080 kHz, plus or minus QRM. "We will be posting our spots on DX Summit. but we would appreciate any and all W1AA spots by the members." He adds, "DX QSLs are via the W1 Bureau and stateside are via W1AA please with an SASE. A photo of the lighthouse will be furnished." [Tnx K1VV]

05/08/2006: Look for Ricky, W7PSK/p, to be QRV August 5th for the National Lighthouse/Lightship QSO Party and for the 070 Club APE from Whidbey Island (NA-065, USi WA-001S, Island county), Washington, and the Admiralty Head lighthouse (ARLHS USA-002, WW Loc. CN88PD). He plans to work mostly 20 metre PSK31 (14.070 MHz) and will QSY to 15 and 10 metres if they are open. QSL via home call. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

06/08/2006: Ric, G3CWI/p, will activate the following summits for the SOTA (Summits On The Air Award) on August 6th: Brighstone Down (SOTA G/SE-012, 214m, 1 point, WW Loc. IO90HP) at 1100 UTC and St Boniface Down (SOTA G/SE-008, 240m, 1 point, WW Loc. IO90JO), Southern England region, at 1300 UTC. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

06/08/2006: Peter/RW3PF and Toly/RW3PN will be active August 6-7th as homecall/3 from the following Russian districts: YR-25 (Rybinsk), Yaroslavskaya oblast (YR); and VL-25 (Sobinsky), Vladimirskaya oblast (VL). QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

06/08/2006: Look for Yannis, SV5FRI, to be active from Symi Island [Dodecanese] (EU-001, MIA MGD-030) between August 6-19th. Activity will be on 80, 40, 20, 15, 17, 12 and 10 metre CW and SSB. QSL direct to SV5FRI (QRZ.com). [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

06/08/2006: Steve, W3HF, will be active as W3HF/4 from Bogue Banks Island (IOTA NA-112, USi NC-010S, Grid Loc. FM14, Carteret County), North Carolina, from August 6th to 12th. Operation will be QRP on 40 through 15 metres. Equipment will be a vertical and a Yaesu FT-817. Primary mode will be PSK, with some SSB possible. (Steve requests that stations who want SSB operation contact him before the trip via email at: w3hf@arrl.net). This operation qualifies for the APE (August PSK Expedition) endorsement from the PODXS 070 Club (http://www.podxs.com/html/070_club.html). There is also a possibility of 6 metre PSK and/or SSB operation, from either Steve or his twelve-year-old son Matthew (KB3JJV). QSL via home call, direct or bureau, or via W3HF/4 on eQSL. [Tnx W3HF]

07/08/2006: Ric, G3CWI/p, will activate the following summit for the SOTA (Summits On The Air Award) on August 7th: Cheriton Hill (SOTA G/SE-015, 188m, 1 point, WW Loc. JO02PV), Southern England region, at 1300 UTC. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

07/08/2006: Look for Jens, DL8WOW, to be active as OZ/DL8WOW from Bornholm Island (EU-030, BO-001 for the Danish islands award, WLOTA LH-2203) from August 7-17th. Activity will be on 40-10 metres, mainly QRP CW at 5 watts. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

07/08/2006: Dave, VA2DV/p, will be operating holiday style from Gande Ile (CIsA QC-019, for the Canadian Islands Award) and Ile Nue de Mingan (CIsA New!), both located in the IOTA NA-176 group, between August 7-11th. He will be active using a 100 watt rig and will probably operate 20 and 17 metres, with some 80 metre activity at night. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

08/08/2006: Look for Kan, JJ2RCJ, to be active as V47/AB2RF from St. Kitts & Nevis (NA-104 Grid Loc. FK87) August 8-12th. Focus will be on RTTY, CW and 30/40m. QSL direct to AB2RF (GS only, no IRC please). Further information can be found at www.qsl.net/ab2rf/FG&V4-01htm.html [Tnx NG3K]

10/08/2006: Hide/JM1LJS is going to Macau (XX9) from August 10th to 16th. Although the XX9TJS renewal license, in Macau, the station check by GDTTI (Government)is performed before operation. The starting of the operation will take place August 11th, 0700z. QSL XX9TJS via JM1LJS. Details published gradually on: radio-dream.com/macau/ [Tnx F5NQL]

11/08/2006: AFARU program special event station UE3YAR/p will be active August 11-13th from the following Russian districts: BR-03 (Sovietsky [Bryansk area]); BR-14 (Djat'kovsky); and BR-15 (Zhirjatinsky), Bryanskaya oblast (BR). QSL via RV3YR, direct or bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

15/08/2006: Look for Brian, OZ1SKY, to be QRV August 15-22nd from Greenland (NA-018, WLOTA LH-0072). During non-working hours he will be active on 6 metres, with 100 watts and 4 element yagi, from Grid square GP60 (Maybe GP70 one day). Brian will monitor 50.110 USB if no QSO?s are made. Monitor OX3VHF (GP60) for openings. [Tnx F5NQL]

17/08/2006: A group of about 10 operators from the Club station Fachhochschule Wolfenb?ttel - AFu-AG will use their club call DF0WFB, August 17-20th, from Hallig Oland Island (EU-042, WLOTA LH-0712). Look for activity on all bands and modes. QSL DF0WFB via the bureau or direct with SAE + sufficient postage. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

17/08/2006: Operators YL Mich?le/F5MKX, Alain/F6ENO, and Jean-Jacques/F5NKX will sign F8UFT/p as follows - Weather permitting they will operate on August 17th starting late afternoon (around 1600 UTC) and night from the Ad?le Planchard hut (3200m asl). On August 18th, morning, some activity by F5NKX, before climbing to the Grande Ruine hut (3765m asl). Equipment: battery powered 3w transceiver and dipole, 7MHz, CW only. QSL via F6ICG. [Tnx F5NQL]

18/08/2006: Jeff, WB5WAJ, plans to activate Hole in the Wall Island (USI TN-new), Tennessee, August 18-19th. Look for activity around the usual IOTA frequencies (14260 kHz main). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx USI]

19/08/2006: Vittorio, IK1RAC, will be active as TK/IK1RAC from the island of Corsica (EU-014, DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA LH-1390) between August 19th and September 1st. Look for activity from 12:00 to 14:00 and from 20:00 to 22:00 UTC, on QRP HF + 6 metres. QSL via home call, direct or by the bureau. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

19/08/2006: The Nieuwpoort Lighthouse (BEL-004) will be activated during the coming International Lighthouse and Lightship weekend (August 19-20th) by members of the UBA sections DST, KSD and RCO. ON4OSLN (users.skynet.be/ON4OSLN/) will be active on all bands (80 up to 2 metres), mainly SSB, CW and PSK31. At regular intervals the operators may be seen on ATV as well (live via the ON0OS ATV output on 1255 MHz or via screen captures www.on4aim.com). QSL goes via ON5RKN, either direct or through the UBA bureau. There will be a special multi-color QSL-card. All replies to direct QSL's will be posted in Nieuwpoort and will bear the special "Nieuwpoort Lighthouse" postmark which can be considered a real collector's item. [Tnx UBA HF News]

19/08/2006: Don, VP8ON, along with several others will activate the Cape Pembroke Lighthouse (ARLHS FAL-009, WW Loc. GD18DH), located in the Falkland Islands (SA-002), for the International Lighthouse weekend (August 19-20th). QSL via VP8ON (QRZ.com) [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

26/08/2006: Russell, G5XW, will be operating as GJ5XW/p from the Jersey Channel Islands (EU-013) between August 26th and September 1st. Activity will be on all HF bands, SSB only. QSL via G5XW. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

03/09/2006: Klaus, DJ4JI (DIG #197), will be QRV September 3-13th as OZ/DJ4JI from Bornholm Island (EU-030, BO-001 for the Danish Islands Award, WLOTA LH-2203). Activity will be on 80, 40 and 20 metres, SSB only with a Swan 350 (400 watts). QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

04/09/2006: Dennis/G3PNF will be operating as EA1/G3PNF from North West Spain on September 4-16th with the usual gear, including a 17m whip antenna. Usual RSARS frequencies for CW on 17/20/40m. He will try 20m SSB around 14.275 MHz. SSB on 40m, if possible from the location, will need to be around 7.070 MHz because Spain has not allowed her amateurs to transmit above 7.100. This is a new overseas location. QSL via home call. [Tnx F5NQL]

04/09/2006: Andre, PH7AT, will be signing PH7AT/p from Texel Island (EU-038, WLOTA LH-0003) between September 4-8th. He will be operating mainly QRP handheld (5 W) on satellite (AO-27, SO-50, AO-51, AO-7, FO-29 and VO-52). There maybe some HF activity if his schedule permits. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

26/10/2006: Paul, K1XM, will be active as VP9I from the island of Bermuda (NA-005, WLOTA LH-0201) for the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 28-29th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. Outside of the contest look for him to be signing VP9/K1XM on all bands. QSL via home call. [Tnx NG3K]

28/10/2006: Laurent, F1JKJ, will be active as TK1KJ from the island of Corsica (EU-014, DIFM TK-001, MIA MCO-001, WLOTA LH-1390) during the CQWW DX SSB Contest (October 28-29th) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. QSL via F1JKJ. [Tnx NG3K]

19/11/2006: Paul, K1XM, will be signing 6V7D from Senegal on all HF bands, November 19-28th, including a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry in the CQWW DX CW Contest (November 25-26th). QSL via KQ1F. [Tnx NG3K]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

01/08/2006: Stan/G0BYA and Don/M0FHM will be QRV using the call G8FC at HQRAFARS every first Monday of the month using CW on the hour and SSB on the half hour. QAP around the RAFARS frequencies between 1000-1200 and also from 1330-1500hrs. QSL via operator's instructions. [Tnx F5NQL]

01/08/2006: Special event station 8J1A will be aired August 1-20th to celebrate the 2006 amateur radio festival. Look for activity on all HF bands and modes. QSL via the JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

01/08/2006: Special event station 8J7YJH will be aired August 1st to September 30th to celebrate the Sendai-city Yoshinari Junior High School ARISS School Contact. QSL via the JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

01/08/2006: Special event station 8J120JAS will be aired August 1-31st to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Fuji amateur radio satellite. Look for activity on all HF bands and modes. QSL via the JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

01/08/2006: Special event station 8J620JAS will be aired August 1-31st to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Fuji amateur radio satellite - Tanegashima. Look for activity on all HF bands and modes. QSL via the JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

01/08/2006: To celebrate their 60th Diamond Anniversary, the International Shortwave League (ISWL) will use the club calls G*4BJC /P and GS4BJC /P (main operator will be Geof M0BAU, located in Ellesmere Port, Cheshire) along with M*1SWL /P and MX1SWL /P (main operator will be Keith M0CLO, located in Braintree, Essex) for the entire month of August. QSL via G6XOU, direct or bureau. [Tnx ISWL]

01/08/2006: In 1956, on the 8th August, a tragedy took place at the coal mining 'Bois du Cazier' pit in Marcinelle, in the suburb of Charleroi which resulted 262 casualties. In order to commemorate the 50th Anniversary of the major Belgian coal mining tragedy, members of the local UBA section CPN will be active from August, 5th to August 8th with a special event callsign: ON6BDC (O N 6 Bois Du Cazier). The station will be on the air from 07:00 to 12:00 UTC the 5-6-7-8 August 2006. Frequency: +/- 14.115 Mhz from 07:00 to 08:30 UTC and +/- 7.075 Mhz for the rest of the day. Each QSO will be confirmed by a special event QSL card (via the bureau) and, each QSO worth's 1 point in order to get the special diploma. To get the ON6BDC diploma, you need at least 3 points. The day of the tragedy, each QSO will worth 2 points. To get your ON6BDC diploma, send your complete address with 5 IRC to: ON4LFP, Marchal Roger, Rue de la Paix 82, B.6044 Roux, BELGIUM. Website of section: www.ON4CPN.be [Tnx ON4BEN]

01/08/2006: The Amateur Radio Society of India will be operating a special event station in connection with the 13th IARU R3 conference in Bangalore. This station will be operating on HF and VHF. The allotted call sign is VU13IARU. The 13 signifies the 13th conference and the suffix IARU is evident to all. The station will be in operation from August 1-11th from Hotel Hari International, Subedar Chatram Road, Bangalore 560 009. The person in charge of the station is Mr. A.R. Prathap Kumar, VU2POP. Any queries in this regard may please be directed to him (vu2pop[at]hotmail.com). [Tnx F5NQL]

02/08/2006: The 3rd Strange Radio Birthday event, to remember when the Strange Radio Team was founded. From August 2 to 10, the following Special Calls will be active: ED8SRT (QSL via IZ8EDJ), EF8SRT (QSL via IZ8EDJ), IO0SRT (QSL via IZ0BTV), IO1SRT (QSL via IZ1GJK), IO2SRT (QSL via I2JJR), IO3SRT (QSL via IV3ZXQ), IO5SRT (QSL via IZ5BTC), IO6SRT (QSL via IZ6FZS), IO7SRT (QSL via IZ7FLT), IO8SRT (QSL via IK8WEJ), IR0SRT Sardinia Island (QSL via IS0LFZ), IR3SRT (QSL via IN3JJI), IU8SRT (QSL via IZ8GGF), L30BST (QSL via IZ8EDJ), V55SRT (QSL via IZ8EDJ) and YI0SRT (QSL via IZ8EDJ). A Special QSL Card will be printed For this event. Further information can be

found at www.strangeradioteam.com [Tnx IZ8EDJ]

02/08/2006: Amateurs will help commemorate the 100th anniversary of Reginald A. Fessenden's first voice and music broadcast with a special events operation from the Governor Winslow House in Marshfield, Massachusetts, August 4th from 1500-2100 UTC. W1AA will operate on 7225-7270, above 14310, and on 17 meters, above 18150. The station will operate on cw 40 khz up from the bottom of the bands, plus or minus QRM. Stations contacting W1AA will receive a special commemorative QSL card. Please send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to W1AA (check address on QRZ.com). Watch DX Summit for W1AA Spots. For further information, contact Dave Riley, AA1A at nmf.marshfield(at)verizon.net. See also: www.959watd.com/fessenden.asp . [Tnx K1VV]

05/08/2006: Bernard/G0SWO helped by Bob/G0DAM and members of the RAFARS Roadshow team will support the MOD Veterans' Awareness Events by operating Special Event Station GB2VET in East Park, Holderness Road, Hull, August 5-6th. QSL via operator's instructions. [Tnx F5NQL]

05/08/2006: To celebrate their 60th Diamond Anniversary, the International Shortwave League (ISWL) will be QRV August 5th, 6th and 7th as GB6SWL. The operator this week is David GI3OBO, located in Newtownards, N. Ireland. QSL via G6XOU, direct or bureau. [Tnx ISWL]

05/08/2006: ARI Ancona will operate special station IY6GM from Monte Cappuccini [lighthouse] (WAIL MA-003, ARLHS ITA-104) between August 5-20th. The activity will celebrate the 102nd anniversary of the experiments carried out by Guglielmo Marconi from that place. QSL via QSL via I6GFX, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425 DX News]

06/08/2006: Special event station 8J2ARDF will be aired from August 6th to October 15th on all bands and modes for the All Japan ARDF Athetic Meeting. QSL via the JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

06/08/2006: Special event station GB2WOK is being aired on August 6th as part of the Work the World on a Wok event being held at Westgate-on-Sea in Kent. QSL via operator's instructions. [Tnx GB2RS]

06/08/2006: Special callsign II5RW will be aired August 6-14th for the Roverway Italia 2006 (www.roverway.it/inglese.htm). QSL via I3GJJ, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425 DX News]

06/08/2006: Since June 2006, 16th, the Liege UBA section (LGE) is active and will be active from the 12 fortresses componing the Liege ramparts, settled during WWII. Call sign is ON12FORTS. On August 6th, they be on the air the Loncin Fort (LG-057) and on August 20th from the Lantin Fort (LG-0528). Those who will have at least 6 of the 12 forts on their log may claim for the ON12FORTS award. Picture of the award available at www.uba.be/hf/dxnews_fr.html . QSL via ON5VL, direct or bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

09/08/2006: World Wide Young Contesters - 4O7WWYC is the special event callsign celebrating seven years of WWYC and the third meeting of WWYC members to be held August 9-14th in Novi Sad, Serbia. QSL via YT7AW. Full details can be found at wwyc2006.atspace.com/ [Tnx UBA HF News]

10/08/2006: Special event station 8J7JAZZ will be aired August 10th to September 10th to celebrate the 16th Johzenji Streetjazz Festival in Sendai. Look for activity on all HF bands and modes. QSL via the JARL bureau. [Tnx JJ1WTL/AC6IM]

13/08/2006: To celebrate their 60th Diamond Anniversary, the International Shortwave League (ISWL) will be QRV August 13th with the special call GB60SWL from the Wimborne Hamfest, at Merley in Dorset. Several Members will be operating throughout the day, from the ISWL Rally Stand. QSL via G6XOU, direct or bureau. [Tnx ISWL]

29/10/2006: Ely, G3PWK, will be running the following Special Event stations (both have RSARS affifliated numbers) later this year. GB5OM (Operation "Musketeer" - the 1956 Suez Crisis) from 29th October to 12th November 2006 - this being the period that 3 Para Bn Grp were involved. GB5EG (El Gamil - the airfield onto which 3 Para Bn Grp parachuted on 5th November) from 5th to 6th November 2006. There will be no operation on 4th November as he will be travelling to Aldershot to attend the Bn Grp dinner. At lunchtime on 5th November he will be attending 3 Tp. 9 Para Sqn RE Dinner so operation will not commence until evening when he returns from Aldershot. QSL via operator's instructions. [Tnx F5NQL]

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US radio station celebrates Fessenden?s pioneering work -

US radio station 95.9 WATD-FM is broadcasting a series of programmes on Canadian radio pioneer Reginald Fessenden on 4-6 August. The programmes will mark the 100th anniversary of the world?s first ever radio audio broadcast.

This pioneering broadcast was transmitted by Fessenden on Christmas Eve 1906 from Brant Rock, Massachusetts. The broadcast featured Fessenden playing the song O Holy Night on the violin and reciting from the bible. It was received by a number of ships.

The broadcast was not the only first achieved by Fessenden. He was also the first to accomplish a two-way CW transmission by radio, between Massachusetts and Machrihanish in Scotland, using synchronous rotary-spark transmitters and his barretter detectors. The WATD radio programme on Fessenden can be heard via the web at www.959watd.com [Tnx GB2RS]

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>From the CQ Newsroom...

Today's Palm Beach Post newspaper reports that there appears to be a "communication crackdown" in Cuba in light of President Fidel Castro's illness, and that Cuban hams may have been ordered off the air for now.

"As more and more exiles try to get in touch with the island, some are finding an apparent communications crackdown has kicked in," reports the newspaper. "Perhaps the worst-hit are HAM radio operators who are reporting that their Cuban counterparts have been noticeably absent from the airwaves since Monday." The paper quotes Jorge Luaces, KC4HTV, a ham whose wife (also a ham) is a reporter for the Post's Spanish-language weekly, as saying he believes that the state agency that regulates ham radio in Cuba is preventing amateurs there from getting on the air.

Other Cuban-Americans told the newspaper that they have no trouble getting through to relatives by phone or e-mail, but that no one is providing much information - if they know anything - because the government closely monitors phone calls and e-mail. It is much more difficult, however, to monitor every possible amateur radio transmission.

The full newspaper article is available online at <http://www.palmbeachpost.com/pbcsouth/content/local_news/epaper/2006/08/03/m14a_CUBA_NO_TALK_0803.html>

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